Senate Study Bill 1034

SENATE/HOUSE FILE BY (PROPOSED DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES BILL)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act creating a premier destination park program and making an appropriation.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 461A.3B PREMIER DESTINATION PARK 2 PROGRAM.

1. The department shall establish a premier destination 4 park program. The purpose of the program is to provide 5 funding for the planning and design, and construction of new 6 vertical infrastructure as defined in section 8.57, subsection 7 5, paragraph "c", for a premier destination park only if 8 attendant investment is made in the park by private industry.

2. There is appropriated from the tax=exempt bond proceeds 10 restricted capital funds account of the tobacco settlement 1 11 trust fund established in section 12E.12, subsection 1, 1 12 paragraph "b", subparagraph (1), for each fiscal year of the 1 13 fiscal period beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 1 14 2008, the sum of three million dollars to the department for 1 15 use in the premier destination park program. Notwithstanding 1 16 section 8.33, unencumbered or unobligated moneys remaining at 1 17 the end of a fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain 1 18 available for expenditure during the following fiscal year for 1 19 purposes of the premier destination park program.

The department shall provide a report, in its annual budget 1 20 21 documentations to the governor and general assembly, on the 22 use of moneys under the program since the last report and the 1 23 projected use of future moneys.

EXPLANATION

This bill creates a new program in the department of 1 26 natural resources called the premier destination park program. 27 The purpose of the program is to provide funding for the 28 planning and design, and construction of new vertical 1 29 infrastructure for a premier destination park only if 1 30 attendant investment is made in the park by private industry.

31 "Vertical infrastructure" is defined in Code section 8.57, 32 subsection 5, paragraph "c", as including only land 33 acquisition and construction, major renovation and major 34 repair of buildings, all appurtenant structures, utilities, 35 site development, and recreational trails. "Vertical 1 infrastructure does not include routine, recurring 2 maintenance or operational expenses or leasing of a building, 3 appurtenant structure, or utility without a lease=purchase 4 agreement.

Funds for the program are appropriated to the department 6 from the tax=exempt bond proceeds restricted capital funds 7 account of the tobacco settlement trust fund in the amount of 8 \$3 million for each fiscal year of the fiscal period beginning 9 July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2008. Unencumbered or 10 unobligated moneys remaining at the end of a fiscal year do 2 11 not revert but remain available for expenditure during the 2 12 following year for the purposes of the premier destination 13 park program, notwithstanding Code section 8.33.

The department is required to provide a report in its 2 15 annual budget documentations to the governor and general 2 16 assembly on the use of moneys under the program since the last

2 17 report and the projected use of future moneys.

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